

**APPLICATION FOR THE**

**2009-2010**

**MIDDLE EAST PARTNERSHIP INITIATIVE**

**STUDENT LEADERS PROGRAM**

**APPLICATION DEADLINE:**  
**January 3, 2009**

**Please submit your applications and  
supporting documentation to the**

**U.S. Embassy, Abu Dhabi Public Affairs Office  
P.O. Box 4009 Abu Dhabi, UAE  
[EducationUSAAbuDhabi@state.gov](mailto:EducationUSAAbuDhabi@state.gov)**



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*Provide all answers in English.*

### NAME

Print your name clearly **exactly** as it appears on your passport.

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Last* *First* *Middle*

Indicate any other spelling(s) or name(s) you use:

***Affix two color Passport (2 x 2 inches) photographs here:***

### HOME COUNTRY CONTACT INFORMATION

Permanent mailing address in your home country:

Home telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Mobile telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Fax number: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_

### PERSONAL DATA AND PASSPORT MATERIALS

Gender: ☐ Male ☐ Female Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Place: \_\_\_\_\_  
*Month/Day/Year* *City* *Country*

Country of permanent legal residence: \_\_\_\_\_ Country of citizenship: \_\_\_\_\_

**Provide a clear photocopy of the photo/data information page of your current passport.**

### EMERGENCY CONTACT INFORMATION

Provide the names and contact information of individuals who should be notified in case of an emergency.

In the United States: \_\_\_\_\_  
*Name* *Relationship to you* *Street Address*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*City* *State* *ZIP Code* *Telephone Number* *E-mail address*

In your home country: \_\_\_\_\_  
*Name* *Relationship to you* *Street Address*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*City* *State and/or Country* *Telephone Number* *E-mail address*



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NAME (print your name/country): \_\_\_\_\_ COUNTRY: \_\_\_\_\_

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### FIELD OF STUDY

Major Field of Study: \_\_\_\_\_

Minor Field of Study (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_

Name of university (if currently enrolled): \_\_\_\_\_

Level of coursework you will have completed by July/August 2009 (please check one below):

☐ Final year of Secondary School ☐ 1<sup>st</sup> year undergraduate study ☐ 2<sup>nd</sup> year undergraduate study ☐ 3<sup>rd</sup> year undergraduate study

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### RECOMMENDATION LETTERS

Identify the three (3) individuals who will be writing letters of recommendation on your behalf. At least one should be from your secondary school. Make sure these are people who are familiar with your academic and personal qualities.

1. Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone number: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_

2. Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone number: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_

3. Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone number: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_

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### PREVIOUS ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIPS

Indicate any scholarships, academic awards or honors that you have received and the year received:

### EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND

Provide complete information about all the educational institutions that you have attended and, if applicable, information about the institution(s) at which you are presently enrolled. **See Application Instructions for information regarding documentation you must provide pertaining to your completed studies.**

| Institution Name<br>(No<br>abbreviations)    | Institution Location<br>(City, Country) | Dates Attended<br>MM/YY –<br>MM/YY |     | Major Field<br>of Study | Degree Received<br>and Date Received* | Grade Point<br>Average** |
|--|---|------------------------------------|-----|-------------------------|---------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| Primary School:                              |   | From:                              | To: |                         |                                       |                          |
| Secondary School:                            |   | From:                              | To: |                         |                                       |                          |
| Post-Secondary<br>Education:<br>(University) |   | From:                              | To: |                         |                                       |                          |

\* Identify the name of your degree by the word used at the institution that will award/awarded the degree. If you have not yet received the degree, please indicate the date (month and year) you expect to receive it.

\*\* Indicate your Grade Point Average (GPA) according to the system used at the institution at which you studied. Do *not* convert your GPA to the U.S. educational system's equivalent.

Explain any gaps in your education: \_\_\_\_\_

Have you ever been dismissed from a school or university? ☐ No ☐ Yes If yes, please explain why:



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### LANGUAGE PROFICIENCY

Native language(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Number of years of English study: \_\_\_\_\_ Where studied: \_\_\_\_\_

Knowledge of foreign languages, including English (rate your abilities as Excellent, Good, or Fair):

| Language Name | Reading Ability | Writing Ability | Speaking Ability |
|---------------|-----------------|-----------------|------------------|
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### STANDARDIZED ENGLISH TEST SCORES, if available

Indicate your TOEFL® or ITP TOEFL® scores.

| Test Name  | Date taken or to be taken | Score |
|------------|---------------------------|-------|
| TOEFL®     |                           |       |
| ITP TOEFL® |                           |       |
| OTHER      |                           |       |

### NON-ACADEMIC ACTIVITIES

List other community service, internships/jobs, sports, hobbies or cultural activities in which you have participated regularly in the past two years. If you were a team leader, council member or other officer in any institution or activity, please note that as well.

| Location/Institution and Contact | Type of Activity | Dates of Participation<br>MM/YY – MM/YY |     |
|----------------------------------|------------------|---|-----|
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NAME (print your name/country): \_\_\_\_\_ COUNTRY: \_\_\_\_\_

### PHYSICAL CHALLENGES/DISABILITIES

Describe any physical disabilities you might have. If you require any special equipment or medical treatment as a result of the physical disabilities, please describe it. This information is gathered for statistical purposes and to ensure appropriate placement. The program does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, gender, national origin, and/or physical disabilities.

### FAMILY BACKGROUND

Complete the following regarding your family:

Father's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Father's Employment: ☐ Employed ☐ Retired \_\_\_\_\_ Year ☐ Unemployed

If employed or retired, Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_

Highest level of education attained:

☐ None ☐ Number of primary school years \_\_\_\_\_ ☐ Number of secondary school years \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Secondary Diploma ☐ Bachelor Degree ☐ Masters Degree ☐ Ph.D.

Mother's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Mother's Employment: ☐ Employed ☐ Retired \_\_\_\_\_ Year ☐ Unemployed

If employed or retired, Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_

Highest level of education attained:

☐ None ☐ Number of primary school years \_\_\_\_\_ ☐ Number of secondary school years \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Secondary Diploma ☐ Bachelor Degree ☐ Master Degree ☐ Ph.D.

Number of siblings in your immediate family: Number of brothers: \_\_\_\_\_ Number of sisters: \_\_\_\_\_

**How did you find out about the MEPI Student Leadership Program ?** Check all that apply.

☐ The American Embassy Advising Office or other Embassy contact

☐ From a friend ☐ From a relative ☐ From a teacher or professor

☐ From an advertisement or notice (*specify the source*): \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Other (*specify how*): \_\_\_\_\_



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### ESSAY: Personal Statement

**350 – 500 words, typed on separate sheets of paper attached to application.**

Provide a clear and detailed description of:

- Yourself in terms of interests and personality,
- Your academic objectives,
- Your goals in terms of your field of study and personal development, and
- An example of how you've been a leader in your school or community.

The essay is an essential part of the selection process and of your application for placement into an appropriate host institution. Be sure to include any details that highlight your personality and interests.

### SIGNATURE

By my signature, I certify that, to the best of my knowledge, the information provided in my application is accurate and complete, and that I intend to return to my home country upon completion of my studies in the United States. I also authorize any school or university which I have attended or will attend to release my transcripts and any report to the designated placement agency.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

### CHECKLIST FOR COMPLETE APPLICATION:

Before submitting your application to the address on the front page, please be sure you have included all of the following REQUIRED components:

- \_\_\_ Completed, signed MEPI Student Leaders application form
- \_\_\_ Personal statement in English, 350-500 words, typed
- \_\_\_ Copy of the data/photo pages of your passport
- \_\_\_ Official transcripts (translated) for years of university study (or secondary study for those not in university yet)
- \_\_\_ Three letters of recommendation
- \_\_\_ TOEFL® or ITP TOEFL® (or similar exam) score report if available
- \_\_\_ Two passport-size photos